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Accompanying this fax cover sheet please find: Statement of the Substance of the Interview.

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Examiner : Marsha M. Tsay
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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.133 and MPEP 713.04, Applicants submit the following Statement of Substance of the Interview. The Interview Summary provided by the Examiner states that "Applicant is given a non-extendable period of the longer of one month or thirty days from this interview date, or the mailing date of this interview summary form, whichever is later, to file a statement of substance of the interview." (See, Interview Summary). Thus, this Statement of Substance must be filed on or before February 11, 2007. The substantive points of the interview are discussed in the following remarks.

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REMARKS

Interview

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the opportunity to discuss the above application during a telephonic interview on December 28, 2007. The following is a summary of the conducted interview:

- (1) Participants:
Marsha M. Tsay (Examiner)
Ilona Gont, Reg. No. 58,714 (Applicant's representative)
- (2) No exhibits were discussed or shown at the interview.
- (3) The Notice of Non-compliance, mailed December 18, 2007, was discussed.
- (4) Claims 40-42 and 44 were discussed. The Examiner suggested filing a Request for Continued Examination together with a Response to the outstanding Final Office Action, mailed on May 25, 2007.
- (5) Applicants stated that they would consider Examiner's suggestion regarding filing the RCE in order to expedite prosecution of this application to allowance.
- (6) No other matters were discussed during the interview.

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CONCLUSION

No new matter has been added. Should the Examiner deem that further clarification of the record is in order, we invite a telephone call to the Applicants' undersigned attorney to expedite further processing of the application.

While Applicants believe that no fees are required, the USPTO is authorized to charge or credit the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Customer Number : 35437, Reference No. 27353-513-US1, for any additional fees needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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